

REMARKS

The Examiner's further consideration of the application is awaited.

In reconsidering the application, it was decided to slightly recast claim 67 in a more readable form, and amend it also, and that has been accomplished by replacing claim 67 with new claim 68 above.

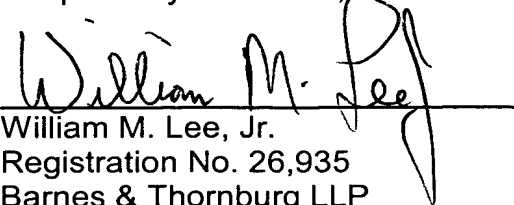
Turning now to the Examiner's comments in the Advisory Action:

1. The reference to the frame and trays being made of a "thermally conductive material" is based on originating claim 57 of the PCT case, and on previous claim 61, where "thermal conductivity was specified.
2. The Examiner may be right that the sample plate should probably also be thermally conductive. But we cannot specify this in the claim, as the feature was not specifically disclosed in the specification.
3. The "plurality of trays" is now positively recited, as required. Also the "plurality of wells or other containers" is positively recited.

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